

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REROUTING A CONNECTION  
IN A DATA COMMUNICATION NETWORK BASED ON A USER  
CONNECTION MONITORING FUNCTION

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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office action of February 11, 2009, Applicant submits the following response: